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POSITIONS AND KEY POINTS TO BE USED AT THE CONFERENCE OF
NATIONAL ARMAMENTS DIRECTORS (CNAD) APRIL 22-24, 1975 ARE
AS FOLLOWS:

I. INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN. YOU SHOULD
NOTE REPORT OF CHAIRMAN ON ELEMENTS AFFECTING NATO COOPERA-
TION AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

II. OVERALL PROBLEMS OF AIR DEFENSE. NOTE STATEMENT AND
COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

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A. (I) INTRODUCTORY STATEMENT BY THE CHAIRMAN. NOTE STATEMENT AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

-- (II) REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STG ON AWACS. ASSURE CNAD DELEGATIONS THAT CURRENT AWACS COST ESTIMATES ARE NOT LIKELY TO RISE FURTHER; IN FACT, THERE IS A CONSIDERABLE POTENTIAL TO ACHIEVE LOWER COSTS DURING THE

CONTRACT DEFINITION PHASE. PLEDGE U.S. SUPPORT TO REALIZE AN ADDITIONAL DEGREE OF COPRODUCTION BEYOND THAT CURRENTLY ESTIMATED (10 PERCENT).

-- REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF NAFAG SUBGROUP 12. NOTE STATEMENT AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

-- (III) STATEMENT BY THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES. NOTE STATEMENT AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

-- (IV) REPORT BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP. SUPPORT CNAD ENDORSEMENT OF PROPOSED DRAFT REPORT TO MINISTERS, TO BE FURNISHED BY THE CHAIRMAN OF THE HIGH LEVEL GROUP. OFFER U.S. PREFINANCING OF THE AIRCRAFT PORTION (DOLLARS 2.5 MILLION) OF THE CONTRACT DEFINITION PHASE. APPROACH FRANCE OR GERMANY BILATERALLY TO SUGGEST THAT OFFICIAL PROPOSAL BE MADE AT CNAD THAT UK FURNISH INITIAL FACILITIES FOR THE INITIAL PROJECT OFFICE. SUPPORT NEED FOR A GENERAL OFFICER TO MANAGE THE PROJECT OFFICE. RESOLVE ISSUE OF NATIONALITY OF PROJECT OFFICE MANAGER. ESTABLISH U.S. DEPUTY PROJECT MANAGER SLOT. OFFER TO FURNISH 3-4 U.S. OFFICERS FOR THE INITIAL PROJECT OFFICE.

B. ADEQUATE IDENTIFICATION CAPABILITIES. YOU SHOULD APPROVE THE PANEL VI REPORT AND FORMATION OF THE TECHNICAL TEAM AT STC WITH THE PROVISIO THAT THEIR FIRST TASK WILL BE TO PREPARE REPRESENTATIVE SCENARIOS AND SIMULATIONS THAT WILL DETERMINE THE EFFECTIVENESS AND UTILITY OF THE PROPOSED SYSTEM IN NATO. YOU SHOULD NOT AGREE TO ANY OTHER ACTION UNTIL THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE PROPOSED SYSTEM IN LIKELY SCENARIOS IS ESTABLISHED.

C. DEFENSE AGAINST THE HIGH ALTITUDE THREAT. NOTE STATE-CONFIDENTIAL

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MENT BY THE CHAIRMAN AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

D. (I) (A) OPERATIONAL CONCEPTS AND BASIC OPERATIONAL CHARACTERISTICS. NOTE STATEMENT BY THE NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

D. (I) (B) PROGRESS OF STUDIES ON FUTURE SAMS. READ THE PREPARED STATEMENT, WHICH IN SUMMARY STATES: THE

ARMAMENT DIRECTORS OF THE U.S. AND FRG, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES FOR EQUIPMENT COLLABORATION AND IN THEIR CONCERNS REGARDING AIR DEFENSE IN THE NATO CENTRAL REGION, AGREED TO CONDUCT THE FOLLOWING BILATERAL STUDIES: STUDY I. THE ROLE OF SAM-D AFTER THE END OF THE IN-SERVICE PERIOD OF NIKE HERCULES. STUDY II. THE ROLE OF SAM-D, OR USE OF SAM-D OR OTHER ADVANCED TECHNOLOGY, AFTER THE END OF THE IN-SERVICE PERIOD OF HAWK OR COMPARABLE SYSTEMS.

D. (I) (C) PROGRESS OF ASSESSMENT STUDIES AT STC. NOTE STATEMENT AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

D. (II) SHORADS. ACCEPT IN PRINCIPLE THE NAAG "OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENT FOR FUTURE LIGHT LAND-BASED AIR DEFENSE SYSTEM," AND CONCUR WITH DR. TUCKER'S PROPOSAL.

III. ELECTRONIC WARFARE. YOU SHOULD SUGGEST THAT A BRIEFING DESCRIBING THE U.S. INFRARED COUNTERMEASURES (IRCM) PROGRAM BE MADE TO THE APPROPRIATE CNAD ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE ARMAMENTS GROUPS TO ENCOURAGE COOPERATIVE WORK WITHIN NATO, AND TO ASCERTAIN IF THERE IS ANY MULTINATIONAL INTEREST IN PARTICIPATING IN THE ENGINEERING DEVELOPMENT OF APPROPRIATE IRCM SYSTEMS. INDICATE AGAIN YOUR STRONG SUPPORT FOR AN EW TRAINING AND RDT AND E FACILITY FOR USE BY NATO FORCES.

IV. INTEROPERABILITY AND SECURITY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DATA LINKS. CONCUR IN THE ACTION BEING TAKEN BY NATO TO ADDRESS THE PROBLEM OF INTEROPERABILITY AND SECURITY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND DATA LINKS.

V. OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE FIVE MAIN GROUPS.
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A. STATEMENT BY THE SPOKESMAN FOR THE FIVE CHAIRMEN.
NOTE STATEMENT AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

B. SECOND GENERATION ANTI-SHIP MISSILES. EXPRESS CONCERN OVER ATTEMPTS TO PROCEED TOO HURRIEDLY WITH ASM-II PROJECT DEFINITION AT THE EXPENSE OF INSURING COMPLETE REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE BY INDIVIDUAL NATIONS. PROPOSE THAT NNAG REVIEW RESULTS OF NIAG SUBGROUP 8 PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY BEFORE SUBMITTING FOR CNAD ENDORSEMENT.

C. FOLLOW-UP TO OTHER NAVAL ISSUES RAISED AT THE LAST CNAD. NOTE REPORT AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

D. THE NEED FOR COORDINATION IN THE ANTI-ARMOR FIELD.

NOTE REPORT BY CHAIRMAN AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

VI. -NATO INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY GROUP. NOTE REPORT A8D
COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE. NOTE THE WORK OF SUBGROUP 8
AND THE COMMENTS OF V.B.

VII. A. A COHERENT APPROACH TO LOGISTICS. INDICATE
STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE OVERALL REPORT OF THE SUBGROUP
AND NADREPS REPORT, AND RECOMMEND THAT CNAD ENCOURAGE

CONTINUATION OF THE WORK BY THE INTERNATIONAL STAFF AND
A LOGISTICS GROUP. WITH REGARD TO AC/259-N/168 WE AGREE
THAT QUESTIONS RAISED ARE OF IMPORTANCE. HOWEVER, DUE TO
LATE RECEIPT OF PROPOSAL, AND CONSIDERABLE STAFFING RE-
QUIRED, YOU SHOULD PROPOSE THAT THIS BE ADDRESSED DURING
FALL 1975 CNAD.

B. INCREASED STANDARDIZATION AT THE LEVEL OF ASSEMBLIES
COMPONENTS, SPARE PARTS AND MATERIALS. SEEK AGREEMENT IN
CNAD THAT PRIORITY BE GIVEN TO THIS AREA OF STANDARDIZA-
TION WHICH IS DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE SOME FAIRLY RAPID GAINS
IN INTEROPERABILITY AND/OR COST SAVINGS.

VIII. FUTURE DIRECTION OF EFFORTS. NOTE STATEMENT OF
CHAIRMAN AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

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YOU SHOULD INITIATE NEW EFFORTS AND EMPHASIS TOWARD IM-
PROVING THE PRESENTLY INADEQUATE DEGREE OF INTEROPERABIL-
ITY. STATE THAT SECDEF IS REQUESTING SYG LUNS' ASSISTANCE
IN HAVING NATO MILITARY AUTHORITIES IDENTIFY HOW THEIR
MILITARY CAPABILITY WOULD BE IMPROVED WITH GREATER INTER-
OPERABILITY IN SPECIFIC ITEMS. AS PART OF THIS, IT WOULD
BE PARTICULARLY USEFUL IF THIS EFFORT INCLUDED THE ITEMS
IN WHICH AN ADEQUATE DEGREE OF STANDARDIZATION OR INTER-
OPERABILITY ALREADY EXISTS AND A LIST OF ITEMS SHORT OF
STANDARDIZED MAJOR SYSTEMS WHICH WOULD YIELD THE HIGHEST
PAYOFF IN TERMS OF COMBAT FORCE INTEROPERABILITY. YOU
SHOULD PROPOSE THAT BETTER USE BE MADE OF NATO MACHINERY
TO FOCUS ON IMPROVING INTEROPERABILITY. ASK NATO TO
STUDY POLICIES, STANDARDS, PROCEDURES, AND ORGANIZATIONAL
ALIGNMENTS TO EXPEDITE THE ATTAINMENT OF INTEROPERABILITY.
CONSIDERATIONS MIGHT INCLUDE THE POSSIBILITY OF FORMING
AN AD HOC GROUP OF KEY REPRESENTATIVES OF RELEVANT NATO
ORGANIZATIONS. STATE THAT YOU INTEND TO INITIATE COM-
PARABLE ACTIONS WITHIN THE DOD.

IN SHORT, INTEROPERABILITY SHOULD BE MADE A CONTINUING
HIGH PRIORITY SUBJECT AT CNAD.

IX. ANY OTHER BUSINESS. NOTE STATEMENTS AND COMMENT AS APPROPRIATE.

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